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Lieutenant Colonel Edward T. Clayson, Ph.D. is the Commander and Product Manager for Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4) Product Management Office. With over 18 years of active military service, LTC Clayson has held a variety of management positions in basic medical research, applied research, advanced development, program management as well as research policy and oversight management. He has authored or coauthored 38 articles published in scientific journals or text books.

LTC Clayson entered active duty in October 1988 and served as Chief of the Basic Assessment Branch of the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense. Since then, LTC Clayson's assignments include: Associate Chief of the Department of Virology at the Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangkok Thailand; Assistant Director of the Military Infectious Disease Research Program at the Headquarters of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command; Product Manager and Deputy Project Manager at the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity; Director of the Anthrax Vaccine Production Program at the Joint Program Office for Biological Defense; Joint Product Manager of the Joint Vaccine Acquisition Program; Joint Product Manager of the Medical Identification and Treatment Systems Product Management Office; Director of Medical Technology Development in the Office of the Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Chemical and Biological Defense. He has also held an appointment as an Assistant Professor of Microbiology and Immunology at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences since May 1998.

LTC Clayson graduated with honors with a Bachelors of Science degree from Auburn University, where he attended as an Army Reserved Officer's Training Corps four-year scholarship recipient. Upon graduation as a Distinguished Military Graduate, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. He continued his education and earned a Doctor of Philosophy degree in molecular and cellular biology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He is also a graduate of 22 military courses including the Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Basic and Advanced Officer Courses (Honor Graduate), U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the Defense Systems Management College's Advanced Program Manager's Course.

LTC Clayson's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Achievement Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Superior Unit Award, the National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Korean Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Service Medal, the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal with two service stars, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the NATO Medal (ISAF), and the Secretary of Defense Identification Badge. LTC Clayson also earned the U.S. Army Surgeon General's prestigious "9A" designator for medical proficiency, and he is a member of the AMEDD's Order of Military Medical Merit.

LTC Clayson is an active member of the Acquisition Corps and has earned certifications in the Program Management (Level III), Systems Engineering, Planning, Research and Development (Level III), and Test and Evaluation (Level II) career field areas.